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A HEARTWARMING, NOSTALGIC TALE LACED WITH FAMILY SECRETS AND UNCONDITIONAL LOVE.

Old Books and Faded Dreams transports readers on a nostalgic journey with the townspeople of Tilden, a quaint community in Madison County, Nebraska. At the center of the heartwarming story is Maggie Davis, a middle-aged widow whose life is forever altered as she struggles with the painful memories of her husband's tragic death. Maggie is the heiress to a grand Victorian estate. The stately home, which Maggie shares with her spunky nine-year-old daughter, Jenna, also serves as a bed-and-breakfast to a once-regular but now transient clientele. The kitchen table is the epicenter of lively, often contentious, conversation where no topics are off-limits and the residents trade jabs. Maggie's outspoken, spinster neighbor delights in keeping everyone on guard with her opinionated, prejudicial tirades. Still, she is frequently reined in by an elderly, equally forthright family member who has recently become a permanent dweller at the manor.

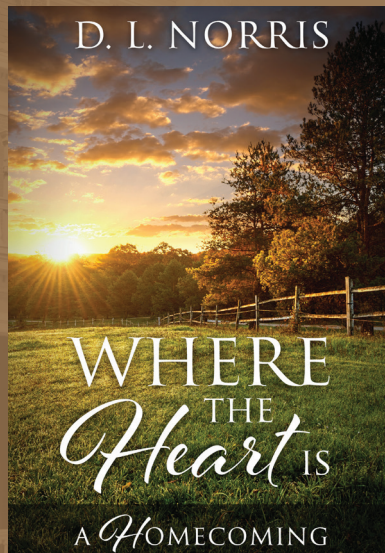
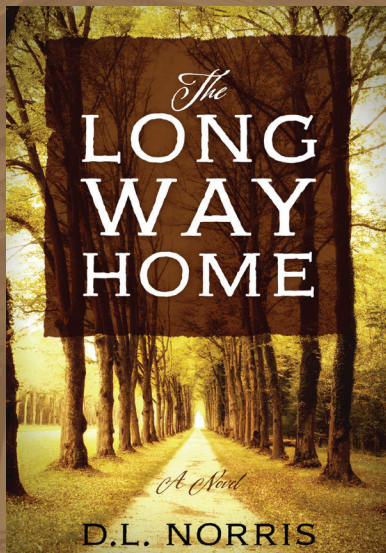
Soon, Maggie is aware of stirrings in her heart associated with a newly arrived houseguest. A scandalous scheme to swindle Maggie out of her inherited property rides on the heels of a sudden, unexpected death, pointing to a member of the family as a suspect. Some of the characters are bound to strike chords of recognition in yourself—or someone you know. The startling discovery of a

sinister family secret locked away for decades in an old attic trunk threatens to overshadow a highly esteemed familial image and cherished legacy. Will this decades-old cover-up be stripped bare for all to see? Will ancient ghosts that were once swept under the rug but never exorcised change the trajectory of Maggie's life? Will Maggie fall prey to villainous intentions? Can relationships be salvaged? *Old Books and Faded Dreams* is a captivating tale of small-town life, exploring themes of friendship, grief, reconciliation, and ultimately, unconditional love. As the reader turns the pages, the story's visceral impact remains strong. The story will undoubtedly make an indelible impression on the reader, thanks to its many twists and turns and well-developed characters. D. L. Norris fires on all cylinders as she presents this flawlessly crafted book, which is built on layers of suspense.

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